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- Any reply received by the Office later than three months after the mailing date of this communication, even if timely filed, may reduce any earned patent term adjustment. See 37 CFR 1.704(b).

Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 22 September 2003.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-20 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-20 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☒ The drawing(s) filed on 22 September 2003 is/are: a) ☒ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).
- * See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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| 1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) | 4) <input type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413)
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DETAILED ACTION

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

1. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(b) the invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of application for patent in the United States.

2. Claims 1-10 and 14-20 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Leach (U.S. 6,604,244). Leach '244 discloses the invention as claimed. Leach teaches a glove 10 for treating a work surface comprising a glove body having a palm portion 14 and finger portions 15 extended therefrom, and a surface treatment arrangement comprising a treatment pad 19 adapted to provide a first treating action provided at the palm portion and a treatment member 21 adapted to provide a second treating action, comprising a fastener 29 adapted to overlappedly fasten the treatment pad in a detachably attaching manner so as to retain the treatment member at the palm portion of the glove body. The treatment pad comprises hook or loop fastener having a predetermined coarseness. The treatment member comprises steel wool, sandpaper, or sponge material. Accordingly, the coarseness of the treatment member will differ from that of the treatment pad. The treatment pad is attached at both upper and lower sides of the palm portion such that the treatment member is detachably mounted at the lower and upper sides of the palm portion. The treatment member is cut into a predetermined size and shape to detachably fasten with the treatment pad so as to fit on the palm portion of the glove body.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

3. The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

4. Claims 11-13 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Leach '244 in view of Borucki-Mastej (Borucki, U.S. 6,000,060). Leach discloses the invention substantially as claimed. However, Leach does not teach a treatment member made of hook fastener having predetermined coarseness adapted to perform a rubbing action as said second treating action such that the fastener is integrally formed as the treatment member to detachably fasten with the treatment pad. Borucki '060 teaches a glove 10 with a body portion integrally formed of a hook or loop fastener material 22, with the body portion adapted to perform a rubbing action. Therefore, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of the invention to form the treatment member of a hook material to eliminate the need for additional fastening attachments on the treatment member.

Conclusion

5. The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure. Gaiser (U.S. 4,270,228), Ortolivo (U.S. 4,593,427), Guzman et al. (U.S. 6,016,571), and Jackson, Jr. (U.S. 6,098,234) teach relevant prior art.

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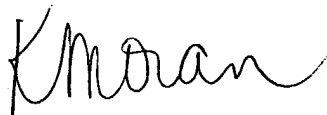
Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications should be directed to Primary Examiner Katherine Moran at (703) 305-0452. The examiner can be reached on Monday-Thursday from 8:30 am to 6:00 pm, and alternating Fridays.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, John Calvert, may be reached at (703) 305-1025. The official and after final fax number for the organization where this application is assigned is (703) 872-9306.

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'K Moran', with a stylized, cursive script.

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